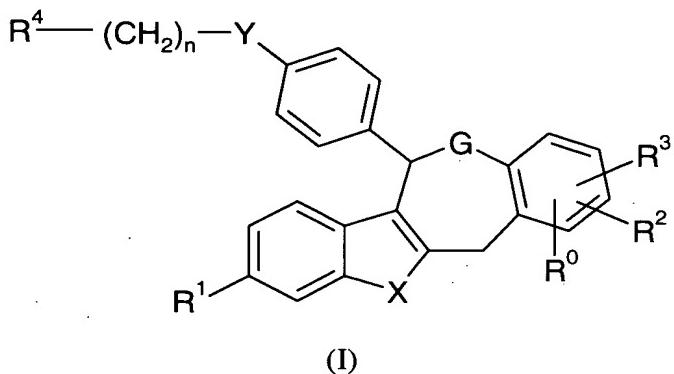


Amendments to the Claims

Without prejudice or disclaimer, this listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listing of claims in this application.

1. (Original) A compound of the formula



wherein

R¹ is -H, -OH, -O(C₁-C₄ alkyl), -OCOC₆H₅, -OCO(C₁-C₆ alkyl), or -OSO₂(C₂-C₆ alkyl);

R^0 , R^2 and R^3 are each independently -H, -OH, -O(C₁-C₄ alkyl), -OCOC₆H₅, -OCO(C₁-C₆ alkyl), -OSO₂(C₂-C₆ alkyl) or halo;

R^4 is 1-piperidinyl, 1-pyrrolidinyl, methyl-1-pyrrolidinyl, dimethyl-1-pyrrolidinyl, 4-morpholino, dimethylamino, diethylamino, diisopropylamino, or 1-hexamethyleneimino;

n is 2 or 3;

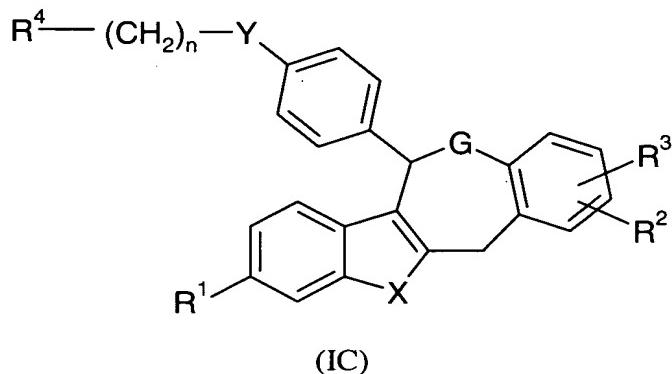
X is -S- or -HC=CH-;

G is -O-, -S-, -SO-, SO₂, or -N(R⁵)-, wherein R⁵ is -H or C₁-C₄ alkyl; and

Y is -O-, -S-, -NH-, -NMe-, or -CH₂-;

or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

2. (Original) A compound of Claim 1 of the formula



wherein

R^1 is -H, -OH, -O(C₁-C₄ alkyl), -OCOC₆H₅, -OCO(C₁-C₆ alkyl), or -OSO₂(C₂-C₆ alkyl);

R^2 and R^3 are each independently -H, -OH, -O(C₁-C₄ alkyl), -OCOC₆H₅, -OCO(C₁-C₆ alkyl), -OSO₂(C₂-C₆ alkyl) or halo;

R^4 is 1-piperidinyl, 1-pyrrolidinyl, methyl-1-pyrrolidinyl, dimethyl-1-pyrrolidinyl, 4-morpholino, dimethylamino, diethylamino, diisopropylamino, or 1-hexamethyleneimino;

n is 2 or 3;

X is -S- or -HC=CH-;

G is -O-, -S-, -SO-, SO₂, or -N(R⁵)-, wherein R^5 is -H or C₁-C₄ alkyl; and

Y is -O-, -S-, -NH-, -NMe-, or -CH₂-;

or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

3. (Presently amended) A compound according to either of Claims 1 or Claim 2 wherein G is -O-.

4. (Presently amended) A compound according to any of Claims 1 to Claim 3 wherein Y is -O-.

5. (Presently amended) A compound according to any of Claims 1 to Claim 4 wherein n is 2.

6. (Presently amended) A compound according to ~~any of Claims 1 to~~ Claim 5 wherein R¹ is -OH or -OCH₃.

7. (Presently amended) A compound according to ~~any of Claims 1 to~~ Claim 6 wherein R¹ is -OH.

8. (Presently amended) A compound according to ~~any of Claims 1 to~~ Claim 7 wherein R⁴ is 1-piperidinyl or 1-pyrrolidinyl.

9. (Presently amended) A compound according to ~~any of Claims 1 to~~ Claim 8 wherein R⁴ is 1-piperidinyl.

10. (Presently amended) A compound according to ~~any of Claims 1 to~~ Claim 9 wherein two of R⁰, R² and R³ is -H.

11. (Presently amended) A compound according to ~~any of Claims 1 to~~ Claim 9 wherein two of R⁰, R² and R³ is -H and the other is -OH.

12. (Presently amended) A compound according to ~~any of Claims 1 to~~ Claim 9 wherein all of R⁰, R² and R³ are -H.

13. (Presently amended) A compound according to ~~any of Claims 1 to~~ Claim 9 wherein at least one of R⁰, R², and R³ is halo and the other or others is -H.

14. (Presently amended) A compound according to ~~any of Claims 1 to~~ Claim 13 wherein X is -S-.

15. (Presently amended) A compound according to ~~any of Claims 1 to~~ Claim 13 wherein X is -HC=CH-.

16. (Original) A compound according to Claim 1 wherein said compound is 5-[4-(2-piperidin-1-yl-ethoxy)-phenyl]-5,11-dihydro-6-oxa-12-thia-

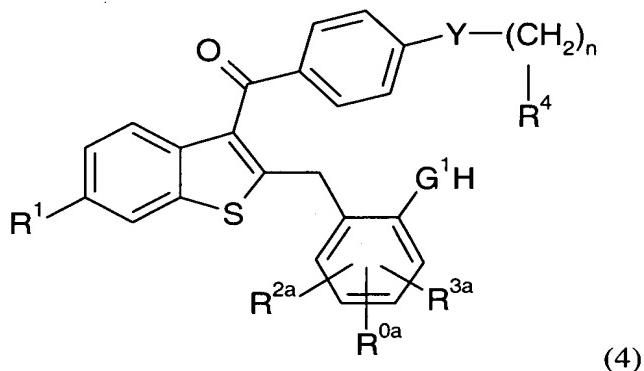
dibenzo[a,f]azulen-2-ol or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

17. (Original) A compound according to Claim 1 wherein said compound is 13-[4-(2-piperidin-1-yl-ethoxy)-phenyl]-7,13-dihydro-12-oxa-benzo[4,5]cyclohepta[1,2-a]naphthalen-3-ol or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

18. (Original) A pharmaceutical composition comprising a compound according to Claim 1 or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, and optionally an effective amount of estrogen and progestin, in combination with a pharmaceutically acceptable salt, diluent, or excipient.

19-30. Presently cancelled

31. (Original) A compound of the formula



wherein

R¹ is -H, -OH, -O(C₁-C₄ alkyl), -OCOC₆H₅, -OCO(C₁-C₆ alkyl), or -OSO₂(C₂-C₆ alkyl);

R^{0a}, R^{2a} and R^{3a} are each independently -H, -OPg, or halo, wherein Pg is a hydroxy protecting group;

R⁴ is 1-piperidinyl, 1-pyrrolidinyl, methyl-1-pyrrolidinyl, dimethyl-1-pyrrolidinyl, 4-morpholino, dimethylamino, diethylamino, diisopropylamino, or 1-hexamethyleneimino;

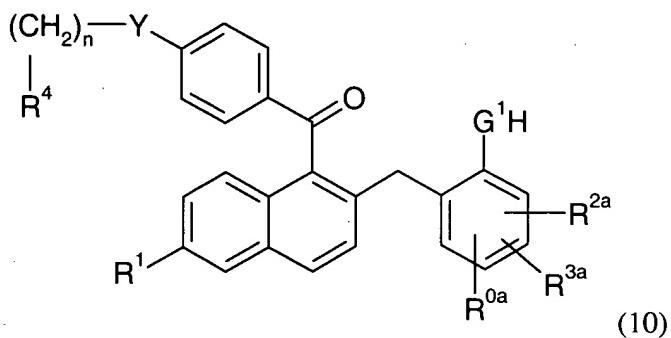
n is 2 or 3;

G¹ is -O-, -S-, or -N(R⁵)-, wherein R⁵ is -H or C₁-C₄ alkyl; and

Y is -O-, -S-, -NH-, -NMe-, or -CH₂-;
or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

32. (Original) A compound according to Claim 31 wherein said compound is [6-hydroxy-2-(2-hydroxy-benzyl)-benzo[b]thiophen-3-yl]-[4-(2-piperidin-1-yl-ethoxy)-phenyl]-methanone.

33. (Original) A compound of the formula



wherein

R¹ is -H, -OH, -O(C₁-C₄ alkyl), -OCOC₆H₅, -OCO(C₁-C₆ alkyl), or -OSO₂(C₂-C₆ alkyl);

R^{0a}, R^{2a} and R^{3a} are each independently -H, -OPg, or halo, wherein Pg is a hydroxy protecting group;

R⁴ is 1-piperidinyl, 1-pyrrolidinyl, methyl-1-pyrrolidinyl, dimethyl-1-pyrrolidinyl, 4-morpholino, dimethylamino, diethylamino, diisopropylamino, or 1-hexamethyleneimino;

n is 2 or 3;

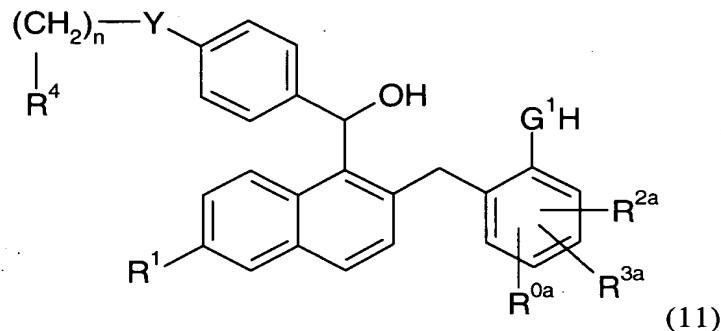
G¹ is -O-, -S-, or -N(R⁵)-, wherein R⁵ is -H or C₁-C₄ alkyl; and

Y is -O-, -S-, -NH-, -NMe-, or -CH₂-;

or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

34. (Original) A compound according to Claim 33 wherein said compound is [6-hydroxy-2-(2-hydroxy-benzyl)-naphthalen-1-yl]-[4-(2-piperidin-1-yl-ethoxy)-phenyl]-methanone.

35. (Original) A compound of the formula



wherein

R^1 is -H, -OH, -O(C₁-C₄ alkyl), -OCOC₆H₅, -OCO(C₁-C₆ alkyl), or -OSO₂(C₂-C₆ alkyl);

R^{0a} , R^{2a} and R^{3a} are each independently -H, -OPg, or halo, wherein Pg is a hydroxy protecting group;

R^4 is 1-piperidinyl, 1-pyrrolidinyl, methyl-1-pyrrolidinyl, dimethyl-1-pyrrolidinyl, 4-morpholino, dimethylamino, diethylamino, diisopropylamino, or 1-hexamethyleneimino;

n is 2 or 3;

G^1 is -O-, -S-, or -N(R⁵)-, wherein R^5 is -H or C₁-C₄ alkyl; and

Y is -O-, -S-, -NH-, -NMe-, or -CH₂-;

or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

36. (Original) A compound according to Claim 35 wherein said compound is 6-(2-hydroxy-benzyl)-5-{hydroxy-[4-(2-piperidin-1-yl-ethoxy)-phenyl]-methyl}-naphthalen-2-ol.